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Joan Chittister's latest column: [**And a little child shall lead them**](#)

Vatican: [**Church must take risks to grow, Francis tells pre-synod meeting of youths**](#). NCR Vatican correspondent Joshua J. McElwee will be covering the pre-synod meeting all week, so stay tuned.

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